COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WEBSTER COUNTY)
WATER DISTRICT (1) FOR A CERTIFICATE)
OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)
AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF MAJOR)
ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO ITS	CASE NO. 98-182
WATER SYSTEM; (2) SEEKING APPROVAL OF	
REVISED WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES;)
AND (3) SEEKING APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE)
OF CERTAIN SECURITIES, PURSUANT TO THE)
PROVISIONS OF KRS 278.020, KRS 278.300, AND)
807 KAR 5:001)

ORDER

On June 4, 1998, Webster County Water District (Webster County) filed a petition with the Commission for a certificate to construct and for approval of financing of plant facilities and for a rate increase. On March 5, 1999, an Order was entered containing a Staff Report and recommendations for the rate schedule for Webster County. A public hearing date was set and written comments were requested. At the request of Webster County an informal conference was held with staff and the Attorney General (AG) for the purpose of discussing issues and questions about the Staff Report. On March 15, 1999, the Attorney General, Office for Rate Intervention, filed comments along with a waiver of a hearing before the Commission. On March 16, 1999, Webster County filed its comments on the Staff Report and amended rate request. Webster County on March 22, 1999 filed its wavier of the hearing in this case. The Commission finds that a public hearing is not now required in this case and that the public hearing should be cancelled.

Webster County in its March 19, 1999 filing requested an informal conference to

resolve issues contained in the Staff Report. The Commission finds that an informal

conference should be held on March 25, 1999, between the Commission Staff, the

Attorney General and Webster County to discuss those issues and any possible

settlement.

The Commission, upon motion and being otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY

ORDERS that:

1. The public hearing in this case set for March 25, 1999, is cancelled.

2. Webster County shall appear for an informal conference with Commission

Staff on March 25, 1999, at 1:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the

Commission s offices at 730 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23rd day of March, 1999.

By the Commission

ATTEST:
Executive Director